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RADIAL ARM SYSTEM FOR

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

Attached are fifteen (15) sheets of formal drawings for the above-identified application.

These formal drawings, which replace any other drawings previously filed with this application, are the drawings that should be printed with the issued patent. Please charge any fees that may be due in connection with these drawings to our Deposit Account No. 10-0435 for our matter 7175-74606.

Respectfully submitted,

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RSH/jdh Indianapolis, Indiana 317-231-7341 The examiner rejected claims 62-66 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over

Marchese et al. in view of Dube et al. and further in view of May et al. Independent claim 62

now recites, among other things, "a support structure extending from the floor to the ceiling of

the room" and "a telescopic arm mounted to the support structure." Neither Marchese et al. nor

Dube et al. nor May et al. disclose or suggest any support structure extending from a floor to a

ceiling of a room to which any type of arm is coupled. In each of these references, the disclosed

structures (e.g., arm 2 of Marchese et al., surgical light 26 and camera 42 of Dube et al., and

column 10 of May et al.) are coupled to a ceiling. Thus, Marchese et al., Dube et al, and May et

al., either alone or in combination, do not include all of the limitations now recited in claim 62.

Accordingly, claim 62 and claims 63-66, which depend either directly or indirectly from claim

62, are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

If there are any questions or comments that would speed prosecution of this patent

application, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (317) 231-7341.

A check in the amount of \$120 to pay for a one month extension of time is enclosed. It is

respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a

Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and that shortages in fees,

if any, be charged, or any overpayment in fees credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg,

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